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Application of: Michael L. Boyer II et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby invite the Examiner's attention to the 52 references listed on the enclosed revised Form PTO-1449, copies of which are provided herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review all of the references and make them of record in the present application by completing and returning the enclosed revised Form PTO-1449.

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